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Application of: Vernon L. Alvarez

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2002, be extended for a period of three month(s) from October 15, 2002 to and including January 15, 2002.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$465.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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